

## ALWAYS DESIRED TO DIE IN UNIFORM

Policeman Frank C. Radcan,  
Who Lost His Life in Saving  
Others at a Fire, Had His  
Wish Fulfilled.

### BLUECOATS WERE HIS IDOLS.

Dead Man's Father Tells of Son's  
Longing When a Lad to Join the  
Force — Underwent Dangerous  
Operation to Become Eligible.

"It was the opportunity Frank had waited for all his life," said John Radcan, shaking his gray and wrinkled head toward the bier where lay the form of his son in the bright blue uniform that he put on for the first time one year and eight days ago.

The old man was speaking slowly and quietly to a little group of old Fourth Warders who all morning had filed in and out of the Radcan home at No. 46 Rose street. The news that Policeman Frank C. Radcan had heroically sacrificed his life in the fire at the "Knocking Brothers" Restaurant, at No. 129 Fulton street, passed to the four corners of the Fourth Ward long before the stalwart young form was carried into the grief-stricken home by his comrades in blue.

"It is pretty hard that a boy should be taken this way, and so soon," said the father, grimly, "but I recall once, when he was a wee bit of a lad, and saw a policeman carried out of a fire, dying, he turned to me and said, 'Pop, I want to die in a uniform like that.'"

"Ever since he began to take notice Frank has had only one ambition—to be a 'cop,' as he called it. He never was like the other boys about, sousing away at the approach of a blue coat, or shying a stick or stone at the enemy from safe distance.

"The men in the blue uniforms were over the idols of the lad, and when one would stop and talk to him he would come running home to tell about it.

Longed to Get on the Force.

"It was the same while he was at school. When he left school and had to go to work, he used to tell us day after day that he was going to get on the force some how, come what might.

"When he was about eighteen years old he started a little cigar business in the Fulton Market and was very successful. His success did not make him forget his ambition, however, and as soon as he was old enough he put in his application and began to study for the examinations.

"But just about this time he began to suffer from varicose veins, and the doctors told him that while he was troubled that way he could never pass the physical examinations. He took every kind of treatment for them, but they did not seem to get better. But the boy did not despair. He said: 'I am going to be a policeman before I die, and I must get rid of these some way.'"

Bravely Underwent Operation.

"At last Frank went to a well-known surgeon, who told him the veins could be removed by an operation. He said the operation would be dangerous, but the boy seized at the opportunity eagerly and never feared the result for a moment. It was successful, and he passed the physical examinations.

"Then he had to wait.

"He waited for his turn for several years, but he knew it would come and was supremely happy. He had passed all his examinations way up and when the list turned around to his name he was appointed.

"His come home with his uniform just one year and eight days ago, the proudest boy that ever put on the blue. It made one's heart glad to see the lad strut about in it and fiddle as he walked into the room in that uniform and smiling, smiling like he's smiling now, though we all know his soul's in the right place. He was smiling at the blue buttons when he declared that he would win promotion on his merits alone.

"This uniform makes a man brave," he told me, and I only pray that the opportunity may come to me soon to prove it. He was assigned down here to the Old Slip station and there didn't seem to come many opportunities, that is until yesterday.

Died the Death of a Hero.

"I can see the boy," continued the aged father, dropping his voice to a whisper, "rising to the chance that fire offered. I can feel as he felt when he saw the smoke and flame and knew these were people he saved in those upper floors.

"His heart grew too big for his chest as he came upon his feet, and he saw the opportunity he had talked and dreamed about for years. I believe the kid could have walked into the fire in that uniform and smiled, smiling like he's smiling now, though we all know his soul's in the right place. He was smiling at the blue buttons when he declared that he would win promotion on his merits alone.

"I'm proud and I'm sad," concluded the father, breathing a sigh across his face and turning away from the old cronies who were slowly filing past the bier of the young policeman. The mother, three younger brothers and two sisters sat in the shadow of one corner of the room weeping softly.

### POPE HEARS ADVENT SERMON

Affairs of the Propaganda War  
Capuchin Monk Preaches

ROME, Dec. 7.—The congregation of the Propaganda should have met to-day to discuss important business, including American affairs, but the cardinals all went to the Advent sermon at the Vatican, and the meeting of the Propaganda was postponed. The Pope was present at the sermon, which was delivered in the Throne Hall by the apostolic preacher, Father Paolo Della Fieve, a Capuchin.

The function was most interesting and picturesque. A pulpit was erected under the canopy of the throne, in front of a long line of seats for the cardinals. Behind them were seats for the other high dignitaries of the church. In a corner of the hall, on the right of the pulpit, was a structure resembling a private confessional, surrounded by a grating. When all present were seated, a figure, clad in white, appeared behind the grating, and the audience rose, the cardinals saluting by taking of their hats. The preacher, who was seen and was ended with a prayer for the Pope, who never clearly showed himself. When the white, kneeling figure arose and was about to leave the congregation arose as before and again saluted. The preacher went into an adjoining room and kissed the hand of the Pope.

### POLICEMAN WHO LOST HIS LIFE BY BRAVERY AT FIRE.



### GRIEVED TO DEATH OVER LOSS OF WIFE

Anthony Dougherty, 97 Years  
Old, Dies Soon After Passing  
Away of His Companion and  
Helpmate from Youth.

Preparations were made to-day for the funeral of Anthony Dougherty, who for many years lived in South Orange avenue, Newark. His body will be laid beside that of his wife, for whom he grieved himself to death.

Although ninety-seven years old, he was strong, rugged and active until less than two months ago, when his wife died. They were married many years ago when both were young. They had helped each other in the struggling days before their fortune was made, and their love was strengthened as old age overtook them.

Simple living prolonged their lives, and old friends died one by one until they were almost alone of all those who had been young with them. So devoted were they that they were seldom out of each other's sight, for they knew that the time could not be long.

When Mrs. Dougherty became sick he sat at her bedside night and day until his grandson coaxed him away for a few hours of rest. She died on Oct. 12.

The old man was crushed. In a day he aged years and his step lost its elasticity. He came weaker and weaker each day, he was forced to take to his bed four days ago, and yesterday he died with a smile on his lips.

Mr. Dougherty was a pioneer in the manufacture of morocco goods. He retired from this business twenty years ago and devoted his time to the care of his real estate. He was one of the largest property-holders in Newark.

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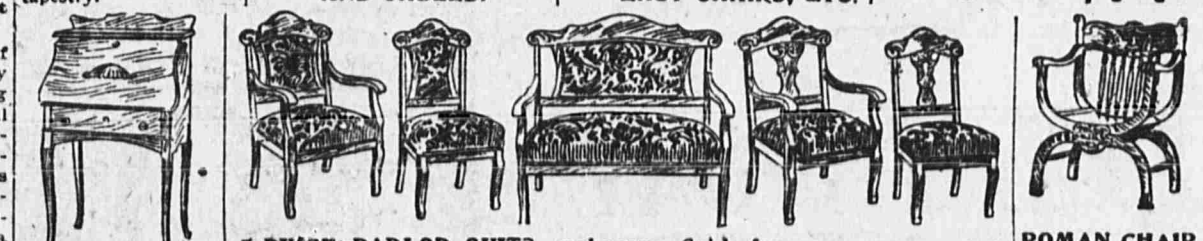
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**Solid Gold Rings**—like illustration, in many beautiful designs; set with one, white bright cut diamond; special sale price, \$6.95

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Main Floor, Front, Centre.

## \$10 Morris Chair for \$6.98.

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Seventy-five other styles on exhibition.



## Dress Patterns for Gifts.

The gift spirit never entered the dress goods sections more thoroughly than it does this year. There are so many new things made so appropriate for gifts that column after column could be used in enumerating them. We'll give you hints from day to day to suffice. These are put up in dress lengths:

Percalés.	Ginghams.
Dainty new designs in dress lengths, 36 inches wide.	All new, regular selling price 15c. yard; special at 12c
8 yds., \$1.00.	<b>Figured Batiste.</b>
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12 yds., \$1.50.	Main Floor, Near Rotunda.

## Renaissance Dresser Scarfs.

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In green, sarnet, ruby, turquoise, with chate-laine brooch pin to match. Each set in a satin lined plush case. Not so long ago identical sets were sold for \$10.

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Beautifully engraved, fitted with fine Swiss movements, silver brooch chate-laine pin to match, each set in a pretty box; good value at \$5.00.

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Main Floor, Front, Centre.

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## a Saving of About Half.

Every fur in this sale is worthy to be sold at full price were not our storekeeping principle "give customers every trade-advantage gained."

<b>\$45.00 Fox Sets, \$25.00.</b> Consisting of flat pillow Muff and long Stole; either Isabella or sable fox.	<b>Japanese Bear Sets, \$6.95.</b> Consisting of beautiful long fluffy Box 100 inches long and large flat Muff.
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Second Floor, 50th St. Section.

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Third Floor, 50th St. Section.

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Main Floor, 50th St. Section.

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